

Executive Director Report

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ITEC: (Executive council comprised of private and public representatives charged with the adoption of IT policies for the state enterprise (All Branches))

- The ITEC Board met May 24th, however a quorum was not established, and therefore no business were officially conducted.
- Three policies under consideration:
 - Policy #2410 – Y2K Asset Readiness Reporting (Retire)
 - Policy #6200 – Date Data (NEW) (Combines #2412 and #2414)
 - Policy #2412 – Date Data Interchange (Retire)
 - Policy #2414 – Y2K Readiness Warranty (Retire)
 - Policy #9200 – PKI
- SIM Plan Discussion: The consulting company, BETA Group has been selected to lead the development of the state's Strategic Information Management (SIM) plan. The BETA Group, incidentally, is the same group whose methodology the INK application assessment scoring is based. I believe this to be a tremendous advantage for INK to tightly align our methodology to the state IT plan.
- A working group is being established to steer the development of the plan and I/INK has been asked to be a member of that group. The BETA Group will be interviewing several state folks to begin the process, one of which will be INK.
- The ITEC Chair (Denise) will be contacting the Joint Committee on Information Technology legislative oversight committee (5 Senators and 5 Representatives) to inquire as to their desire to meet jointly with ITEC to discuss expectations and enterprise goals.
- Next scheduled meeting: July 26th.

ITAB: (State IT representatives who meet monthly to discuss ongoing upcoming and current status of issues facing the state IT enterprise.) Met May 15th

- ITAB met and Mr. Blevins presented on the Security Assessment document and invited the group to training on June 18th and 19th to review the assessment as the number of specific questions have significantly increased from the last year and we on the Security Council are fairly certain some answers are not being thought of, within the agencies, correctly.
- I announced the grants availability including the strategic portion directed at Dept of Ag and Dept of Ed. Both reps were writing fiercely.
- I have since received an email from the Dept of Ag stating they are very excited about the prospect of partnering further with INK but are requesting an extension to August to communicate with their own people about the prospect.

IT Security Council:

Status: Planning for June two day Security Assessment training session.

Webinars/Seminars

Attended Information Builders "Business Intelligence" seminar at Capitol Plaza Hotel

- Also in attendance, Ivan Weichert, Ks GIS Coordinator: Bill Roth, Chief Tech. Architect, and Tim Blevins
- Showcased data integration accomplishments for Richmond Virginia Law Enforcement
- Professed "adaptor plug in" capabilities with many existing systems

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- Works to maximize business intelligence needs by incorporating access, integration, mapping and reporting in one enterprise application through access to disparate existing systems

I hosted an educational seminar/webinar to begin education/fact finding surrounding XML repository and Enterprise Service Bus.

- Revenue, Transportation and KITO office reps attended
- Progress Software: Sonic Enterprise Service Bus was detailed at the Secretary's conference room at KDOT.
- Described installation across Tarrant County Texas Law Enforcement integration project
- System uses central communication bus to communicate and update information to and from entities connected
- Intend to arrange more of these types of meetings, perhaps invite Board members and Legislative representatives as well.

Topeka IT Leadership Forum:

- Group encourages all who can to attend the Kansas City Tech Symposium on June 7th.
- Our own Ms. Denise Moore is one of the presenters.

Participated in the INK portal redesign usability survey.

- Professionally done, will provide great feedback from participants

UMB Line of Credit

- Received asset listing from KIC, included depreciated value.
- Met with UMB Bank president and delivered last three years audited financial statements
 - Likely only candidate for collateral will be Accounts Receivable
- Met with UMB president and Sr. Loan Officer on Friday June 1st. They are preparing a cost proposal.

IT BEST Team: (Executive CIOs meet to discuss current issues on a monthly basis)

- Presentation was given by Dale Bledsoe regarding his work on an RFP to provide web hosting, web development, application development, database integration, and programming services for agencies. Mr. Bledsoe articulated the RFP is designed for the smaller agencies. Agencies would pay by bandwidth and server space utilization. He expects the RFP to be ready for letting in September.
- Bill Roth, Chief Information Technology Architect (CITA), provided the instructions for the agency 3 year IT Plan.

Mize Houser & Company: (INK's accounting firm)

- I requested and have received an annual contract draft from Mize Houser with a term of one (1) year at the same price as last year. A copy of the draft will be provided for board consideration at the June meeting.

Qwest Security Services: (Third party security penetration testing for the portal)

Penetration testing on the portal described in the Network Manager contract is to be an INK expense. I have contacted Qwest at the recommendation of the Chief Security Officer of the state and am negotiating a price for their service. Last year we used Fishnet Security. My intent is to contract with different vendors for penetration testing, every other year in order to change the tools used to perform the test and perhaps catch any issues of which the other firm's tool may be unaware.

Grants:

Grants Committee:

- The Grants Committee met and performed a detailed walk-through review of the current INK Grant Policies and Procedures document.
- As Mr. Flanders was the former INK Board member attending, Mr. King attended and will need to be formally ratified as the Chair of the committee or another member selected.
- A draft of the changes has been developed and will be presented for consideration at the June INK Board meeting.
 - The draft provides an additional description of INK and the purpose of the grants but primarily incorporates additional information requirements for grant requestors
 - Description of the scoring criteria
 - Original grant request to committee performed in person by requestor
 - Mandatory Quarterly reporting
 - Proposed Project Template document if initiative requires respective Branch CITO approval
 - Mandatory Project Budget
 - Final report, given to the INK Board after grant has completed, to name a few

Board of Tax Appeals Case Management System:

- Total Expended: \$10,080
- Remaining grant balance: \$314,920
- Grant End Date: July 2007
- Status:
 - Have received an extension request until August 2007.

Kansas GIS Phase II: A Systemic Answer

- Total Expended: \$95,000
- Remaining grant balance: \$5,000
- Grant End Date: July 2007
- Status: Virtually complete, have requested presentation to the full INK Board from group for August/Sept timeframe

Kansas Historical Society: Kansas Memory

- Total Expended: \$48,715.02
- Remaining Grant Balance: \$41,814.98
- Grant End Date: December 2007
- Status: Requested and was granted end date extension due to primary programmer taking new position outside agency. Have acquired new programmer and project underway. Expect to be completed prior to deadline.

Kansas Indicators for the Kansas Economy (IKE)

- Total Expended: \$46,268.66
- Remaining Grant Balance: \$13,731.34
- Grant End Date: July 2007
- Status: I anticipate this grant to expire with unspent funds. I have received an additional funding request to take the IKE database to the next level to include county level data integration and programming automatic systematic data updates.

KDOR Vehicle Information Processing System (VIPS) Feasibility Study

- Total Expended: 196,700
- Remaining Balance: \$77,500
- Grant End Date: July 2007
- Status: Anticipate extension for few months to ensure all KDOR requirements are included in RFP.

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Kansas Public Television Stations (KPTS) Statehouse Spotlight

- Total Expended: \$90,797.38
- Remaining Grant Balance: \$29,952.63
- Grant End Date: July 2007
- Status: Have yet to receive agreement detailing advertising partnership.
- \$29k remaining includes \$10k to be returned.